

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Twenty-one bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 4349–4369, and S. Res. 663. **Pages S4591–92**

Measures Reported:

S. 1976, to amend the FAST Act to improve the Federal permitting process, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 116–241)

S. 3045, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to protect United States critical infrastructure by ensuring that the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency has the legal tools it needs to notify private and public sector entities put at risk by cybersecurity vulnerabilities in the networks and systems that control critical assets of the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 116–242)

S. 3332, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for the halt in pension payments for Members of Congress sentenced for certain offenses. (S. Rept. No. 116–243)

H.R. 4761, to ensure U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers, agents, and other personnel have adequate synthetic opioid detection equipment, that the Department of Homeland Security has a process to update synthetic opioid detection capability. (S. Rept. No. 116–244)

S. 2330, to amend the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act to provide for congressional oversight of the board of directors of the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee and to protect amateur athletes from emotional, physical, and sexual abuse, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 116–245) **Page S4585**

Measures Passed:

Friendly Airports for Mothers Improvement Act: Senate passed S. 2638, to amend title 49, United States Code, to require small hub airports to construct areas for nursing mothers. **Pages S4596–97**

Traveling Parents Screening Consistency Act: Senate passed S. 2381, to require review by the Government Accountability Office of screening protocols

of the Transportation Security Administration relating to breast milk and formula, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13441 of August 1, 2007, with respect to Lebanon; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–57)

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Kan Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Derek Kan, of California, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

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During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 76 yeas to 22 nays (Vote No. EX. 147), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding Rule XXII, the vote on confirmation of the nomination occur at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 30, 2020.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 30, 2020.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 149), Marvin Kaplan, of Kansas, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2025.

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During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 148), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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By 53 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. EX. 151), Lauren McGarity McFerran, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2024. **Pages S4574–75**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 56 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. EX. 150), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S4574–75**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Craig Duehring, of Virginia, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of Defense.

Gregory Autry, of California, to be Chief Financial Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Robert E. Primus, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board for a term expiring December 31, 2022.

Theodore Rokita, of Indiana, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for the remainder of the term expiring January 3, 2021.

Theodore Rokita, of Indiana, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for a term expiring January 3, 2026.

Mark C. Christie, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2025.

Allison Clements, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2024.

Douglas Macgregor, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Eric M. Ueland, of Oregon, to be an Under Secretary of State (Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights). **Page S4597**

Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Robert E. Primus, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board for a term expiring December 31, 2023, which was sent to the Senate on July 21, 2020. **Page S4597**

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—151) **Pages S4563, S4572, S4575**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:44 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 30, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4597.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's semi-annual report to Congress, including S. 3975, to amend the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 to provide for whistleblower incentives and protection, after receiving testimony from Kathleen L. Kraninger, Director, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

SEAFOOD SECTOR

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine building a stronger and more resilient seafood sector, after receiving testimony from Paul Doremus, Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Leann Bosarge, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, Tampa, Florida; Cora Campbell, North Pacific Fishery Management Council, Anchorage, Alaska; and Philip Anderson, Pacific Fishery Management Council, Portland, Oregon.

REMOTE WORKING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine lessons learned from remote working during COVID-19, focusing on if the government can maximize use of leased space, after receiving testimony from Michael T. Benjamin, California Air Resources Board Air Quality Planning and Science Division, Sacramento; Mark Pringle, Dell Technologies, Round Rock, Texas; and Kate Lister, Global Workplace Analytics, Carlsbad, California.

WTO REFORM

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine WTO reform, focusing on making global rules work for global challenges, after receiving testimony from Jennifer A. Hillman, Council on Foreign Relations, Thomas R. Graham, Cassidy Levy Kent, Laura J. Lane, UPS, Joseph W. Glauber, International Food Policy Research Institute, and Michele